

## USING THE MAILS FOR DEFRAUDING

George Vernatt Misrepresented Himself in Letters While in County Jail.

### INDICTED BY FEDERAL JURY

When George Vernatt, indicted under the name of Fernatt in the state court, got one year in the penitentiary for grand larceny his troubles began to multiply, and when he emerges again from the gloomy walls of the Eddyville prison, it will be to come back to McCracken county jail to await the action of the federal petit jury in a more serious case than larceny. Vernatt is under indictment, returned yesterday by the federal grand jury, for using the government mails for the purpose of defrauding.

The federal jury charges Vernatt with securing money fraudulently by use of the mails. He has a cousin in Huntington, W. Va., A. H. Vernatt, to whom he wrote, while in jail here for aid. Vernatt represented himself as a brother of the Virginia Vernatt and received the money.

Vernatt was arrested here for stealing \$24 from William Koeh. He got one year in the "pen." While incarcerated in jail here he was the hardest prisoner to manage and bears the distinction of being the first prisoner to be confined in the dungeon at the jail. After his release from the dungeon he became unruly and in handling him jailer James Baker received a black eye.

## IN THE RAIN

### PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT INSPECTS CANAL WORK.

Sees Culbraz Cut and Watches Steam Shovels Throw Up Dirt in Big Ditch.

Panama, Nov. 17.—President Roosevelt started at 7 o'clock this morning in the rain with Mrs. Roosevelt and the other members of his party to make an examination of the Culbraz cut. At 8:30 the presidential train arrived at Pedro Miguel, where some steam shovels were at work. The president had his train stopped for the purpose of making a personal examination.

The presidential train continued on the regular line toward Panama. The president made a detour to examine the site of the Pedro Miguel lock.

At about 9:25 the president entered the deep portion of Culbraz cut, his train going slowly in order that he might observe the workings of the drill machines and shovels.

## CLOTHING

### GREATLY NEEDED FOR POOR PEOPLE OF PADUCAH.

Salvation Army Asks for Aid in Work of Charity.—Capt. Moreland Investigates.

Capt. Moreland, of the local corps, Salvation Army, reports great destitution, and particularly a need of clothing for the poor. Captain Moreland has made a personal investigation and solicits public support in caring for the needy. Anyone who has old clothes, which are serviceable, may deposit them with Captain Moreland, or write him a card to 826 North Sixth street.

### INJUNCTION STOPS MARRIAGE.

Relatives of Supernannated Minister Secure Aid of Court.

Rogers, Ark., Nov. 20.—The county court today granted an injunction asked by the relatives of Rev. E. B. Real, aged 81, a supernannated Methodist minister, to restrain him from marrying Mrs. Jane Salisbury, a widow of 51. The plaintiffs set forth that Mr. Real "is in feeble health and not able to marry," and that he is otherwise disqualified from entering the marital state.

### FERRERA CAPTURED.

Leader of Boer Raid in Toils of the Law.

Cape Town, Nov. 19.—Ferrera, the leader of the Boer raid from German Southwest Africa into the northern part of Cape Colony, and his followers were captured today by colonial patrols.

### RECOVERS \$100 JUDGMENT.

Will Stevens Makes Bank Suffer for Malicious Prosecution.

A judgment for \$100 was given in the federal court in East St. Louis this week in favor of the plaintiff in the suit of Will Stevens against the Williams County Savings bank, of Marion, Ill. Will Stevens is from Mayfield, and sued the bank for alleged malicious prosecution. Attorneys Frank Lucas, of this city, and W. S. Foy represented the plaintiff.

## STREAMS SWOLLEN BY HEAVY RAINS

All Kinds of Weather Experienced By Paducahans in Week Closing Today.

### CAVE IN OF SEWER TRENCH

Paducahans have experienced all sorts of weather in the last few days, from regular winter snows to the balmy of spring days, and to cap the climax a regular summer thunder and lightning storm with wind blowing at a velocity of 30 miles an hour, awoke the sleeping populace this morning between 12 and 2 o'clock.

Snow appeared early in the week. It was followed by a thaw, and within 24 hours the snow disappeared. Yesterday the temperature steadily rose until in the early afternoon overcoats were discarded, vests thrown aside, and from appearances summer had come again.

Last night the clouds began to gather and shortly after midnight the rain began to come down pretty steadily, accompanied by a rising wind. Towards 1 o'clock thunder and lightning rumbled, and for nearly an hour the storm raged. Hack drivers say it was one of the nastiest nights they have experienced this year. Railroad men were hampered, and trains delayed slightly by fear of washouts, the trains being run slow.

The telephone and telegraph companies report but little damage. The fire department wiring system did not suffer, being well protected, but several trees were blown down and across country roads, blocking them until teamsters succeeded in throwing them aside. Steamboats went to the bank because of the wind, and while the storm lasted there was nothing doing in all lines.

A few signs in Paducah were blown down but little damage is reported. The rains seemed to have done the most damage.

**Excavations Cave In.**  
At Eleventh and Tennessee streets for one block the trench made for the sewer caved in. The damage will be a great deal to the contractors who will have to do the work over again. This morning laborers were put to work reinforcing the stay, and supports of the trenches to preclude another disaster of this kind.

**Creeks Running High.**  
The rain was heavy to last such a short time. All creeks in the county were swollen. The water coming from Cross creek through the hollows near the Illinois Central depot was rushing like a mill race. This carries water from several different portions of the county near Paducah.

### Man's Desperate Leap.

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 20.—Will Jarrell, escaped from the federal officers this morning by jumping from a train going at 60 miles an hour. The train did not stop and Marshal Cunningham fears Jarrell was killed.

## UNIQUE VERDICT

### CORONER'S JURY THANKS MEMBERS OF MOB.

Will Harris Came to His Death at the Hands of "Public Spirited Citizens."

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 17.—At the inquest over the body of Will Harris, alias Rufe Lindsay, the negro who was shot to death by a posse of officers and citizens yesterday, the coroner's jury returned the following remarkable verdict:

"The said Will Harris, alias Rufe Lindsay, came to his death at the hands of public spirited citizens, who at the time were fearless and unselfish in disposing of a public duty that the law might be vindicated and justice administered. The said Will Harris, alias Rufe Lindsay, at the time of his death was resisting arrest and attempting to shoot and kill the citizens above referred to, comprising the posse who were attempting, under authority, to effect the capture of the said Will Harris."

"That the citizens above referred to, constituting the posse aforesaid, as well as others who participated in the search and spontaneous efforts to bring to justice this incarnate fiend and savage desperado, are entitled to the commendation and thanks of the whole community."

## BIG STORM SWEEPS OVER SOUTHLAND

Colorado and West in Ice Grip and Suffering is Intense on the Plains.

### HEAVY GALE ON THE LAKES

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 19.—Telegraphic and telephone communications today from Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee report that territory to have suffered from destructive rain and wind storms.

Only meagre details are obtainable. Five lives are known to have been lost and great damage to property and crops. Railroad traffic is demoralized by numerous washouts. The greatest damage is in the central and delta region of Mississippi. At Winona, Miss., a Catholic, Christian and negro Methodist churches and the Healy brick yards were demolished. Among the buildings damaged are the postoffice, opera house, oil mill, compress and the warehouse of the Jackson Mercantile company. Besides these there are about 25 smaller buildings. Telegraphic communication is prostrated.

The wind storm was preceded and followed by heavy rains, causing serious washouts along the Illinois Central railroad and badly damaging crops.

At Matthison, Miss., serious damage is reported and a woman killed by falling building. A fire followed.

A woman and child were burned to death.

At Nonconah Creek, a few miles from this city, a railroad trestle fell under a switch engine. Engineer C. V. Peterson and Fireman A. R. Ritchie were drowned.

West Point, Columbus and Mahit are reported to have suffered serious damage.

### A Colorado Blizzard.

Trinidad, Colo., Nov. 19.—The worst blizzard experienced here in a decade is raging. It started yesterday and gradually grew in severity. It is almost impossible to make way along the streets. The Colorado and Southern reports the storm extending into the Pan Handle. The Santa Fe reports a blizzard as far as Kingsley, Kas., and in northern New Mexico. Heavy loss in sheep and cattle is almost certain to occur.

### Lake Superior Gale.

Fort William, Ont., Nov. 19.—In a terrific gale which raged on Lake Superior for two days, the Canadian steamer Theano, Captain George Pearson today struck a rock four miles east of Thunder Cape and was totally wrecked. The American steamer Philip Minch and the Canadian steamer Startheona also were blown ashore. The former may be a total loss. The crews are all safe. When the Theano struck, the crew, numbering 20, remained on the vessel two hours, then took to the lifeboats. A few moments later the boilers exploded, the shattered hull slid off the rock into deep water. Almost overcome by exposure 10 of the crew reached Port Arthur. The boat in which the others sought safety was found by the steamer Iroquois which brought the men here. The Theano was a steel steamer of 1646 tons burden and valued at \$80,000.

## WAGON WHEEL

### RAN OVER BOY'S HEAD AND HE DIED.

Jewell Thompson's Skull Was Fractured From Ear to Ear—Seven Years Old.

Jewell Thompson, seven years old, son of D. D. Thompson of the Melber section, died at 5 o'clock this morning at Riverside hospital from the effects of an accident last Tuesday, when he fell from his father's wagon and was run over. His skull was fractured from ear to ear across the forehead. The funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The burial was in Liberty graveyard in Graves county.

### DIMPLE WORTH \$15,000.

New York, Nov. 16.—Declaring that not only has her face been marred, but that she also has been robbed of a "dainty little dimple," which she highly prized, Euphemia B. Koller, an authoress, who recently came to New York from Washington, has brought suit for \$15,000 damages against a dermatologist, whom she declares guaranteed to remove wrinkles from her face and make her more beautiful.

### AERIAL SQUADRON.

Will Drop Explosives Into Camp of the Enemy.

Washington, Nov. 19.—The French government will construct eight or ten airships for use in wartime. The airships will be used as an aerial squadron from which explosives may be dropped. Walter Welman who sends the news, thinks this government will do well to consider the plan.

## LAKES TO GULF SLOGAN ADOPTED

Asks That Sufficient Sums Be Appropriated to Afford Adequate Facilities.

### TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS

President—W. K. Kavanaugh, St. Louis.  
Secretary—W. F. Saunders, St. Louis.  
Treasurer—George H. Monroe, Joliet, Ill.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 17.—The Lakes to Gulf Deep Waterways association became a fact today when a plan for permanent organization and reports of committees were adopted at the final session. The objects of the association and the principles for which it stands are set forth in an address to the public adopted by the convention. The address says in part:

"The proposed deep water is to extend from the Chicago drainage canal through the valleys of the Des Plaines and the Illinois rivers to the Mississippi river at Grafton, Ill., and thence down the Mississippi river to St. Louis, and is to have a minimum depth of 14 feet throughout. We recommend that for the purpose of meeting probable future needs of navigation the minimum depth over miter sills of the locks should be 21 feet in initial construction.

"Believing the present transportation facilities of the United States to be inadequate and wholly unsatisfactory, we favor appropriations by congress, diligent, assiduous and untiring efforts to secure the necessary means with which to develop the deep waterway."

Resolutions were adopted protesting against any treaty made by the United States with Canada by which the amount of water to be taken from Lake Michigan for use in the Chicago drainage canal shall be limited.

Nathan Frank, chairman of the committee of entertainment at the waterways' banquet last evening toast master. He introduced Governor Deen, of Illinois, who spoke on "The Commercial Value to Illinois of the Proposed Deep Waterway."

Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana, responded to the toast "The Outlet of the Lakes to the Gulf Waterway." Governor Folk of Missouri, responded to the sentiment "Missouri's Contribution to the Canal." Governor Davis, of Arkansas, took as his subject "The Valley and the Waterways."

### POLICEMAN KILLED.

Chicago, Nov. 19.—Policeman Fitzpatrick was fatally wounded in a battle between two policemen and four burglars at Sixty-third street and Madison avenue this morning. The fusillade was the result of an attempt to capture burglars charged with having blown a safe at Hammond, Ind. A wounded man confessed to the Hammond burglary.

## SORRY JOKE

### WAS THAT OF SHOOTING UP A MAIL BOX.

Three Marshall County Boys Indicted on Charge of Mutilating U. S. Property.

A pistol used in what three Marshall county boys are thought to have considered a joke, may land them in federal prison or cause them to pay heavy fines. They were indicted yesterday by the federal grand jury for demolishing a mail box.

Frank Hauser, Herbert Tyree and Gay Walker are the names of the three lads. While passing a rural free delivery mail box near Benton they are alleged to have shot a pistol into it many times. The box looked like a sieve when the shooting ceased. Federal officers quietly investigated the matter and secured the names of the three boys.

**Fairbanks in Washington.**  
Washington, Nov. 17.—Vice President Fairbanks is in Washington for the first time since he finished his campaign tour. He will leave Monday with Mrs. Fairbanks for Tampa, Fla., where he will make an address at the opening of the winter fair.

## LIGHTNING FLASH REVEALS ROBBER

Mrs. Ed Griffin Attacked by Negro Man on Ninth Street Early in the Night.

### WOULD RECOGNIZE HIS FACE.

By the flash of forked lightning about 8:30 o'clock last night Mrs. Ed Griffin, of 1345 South Ninth street, recognized the features of a tall negro lurking in the mouth of an alleyway near Ninth and Humboldt streets, and the next moment she was struggling in his clutches.

The woman fought gamely against her assailant whose object seemed to be robbery, but he threw her down roughly and holding her throat with one hand so she could not cry for help, searched the pocket of her cloak. She had no money with her and pushing her roughly away, the brute ran down the alley.

Although shaking with fear, Mrs. Griffin managed to walk to her home a short distance away. Her clothing was torn and she was scratched and bruised all over.

Mrs. Griffin had been calling on her sister, who lives three blocks away, and was returning home when she was attacked. She believes she could identify her assailant as she obtained a good view of his face in the lightning flash.

Her husband, Ed Griffin, one of the proprietors of the Marble Hall saloon, reported the case to Patrolman Thad Terrell, of the Broadway beat, this morning.

### Town Wiped Out by Fire.

Pocomoke City, Md., Nov. 20.—The town of Stockton was almost entirely wiped out by fire today. One life is reported lost.

## ETLY INDICTED

### GRAND JURY DELIBERATED ON CASE TWELVE HOURS.

Report That Daughter Told Different Story of Mother's Murder Is Denied.

Louisville, Nov. 20.—(Special.)—After 12 hours, the grand jury at noon returned an indictment against John B. Ety, for the willful murder of his wife, Jennie Ety. Annie Ety, the daughter, was a witness and it was reported she had a different story from her confession accusing her father. The girl says she told the same story but was badgered by one of the grand jurors. The girl asked to go before the grand jury again. The coroner's jury at the Ety inquest refused to return a verdict unless the Ety girl was brought before them to testify. Coroner Kelly again declined to have the girl produced. The jury returned a non-committal verdict.

## DAMP PAIR

### STOOD BEFORE JUDGE LIGHT-FOOT THIS NOON.

Nearly Drowned in a Raging Torrent They Hastened on Without Changing.

Half drowned, chilled to the bone, and their wedding garments soggy with muddy water of a mad branch, Ben Benscoter, 21, and Dora Fox, 18, of Coral Springs, Ill., stood before Judge Lightfoot at noon today and were made man and wife. Then they hastened toward home to spend their honeymoon nursing each other through the premonitory symptoms of pneumonia.

They started from home with a party in a big farm wagon. A stream on the road was a raging torrent and the bridge approach was covered, but Benscoter, who was driving, knew where the bridge had always stood.

He did not know it had washed away and the whole party was precipitated in water ten feet deep. Benscoter swam beside the team and directed them, while the others clung to the wagon.

### TRY LIQUOR CURE ON WOMAN.

Wabash, Ind., Mayor Hopes to Reform Notorious Character.

Wabash, Ind., Nov. 20.—Wabash probably will undertake to cure the drink habit of Mrs. "Tish" Higgins, a noted character of this city, who has been arrested fully sixty times. Mayor Joseph W. Murphy has just received an offer from a Chicago drug company to furnish a cure for drunkenness and a doctor to avert any bad



## THE REASON

In the ordinary wood heater the draft enters the bottom, passes up through the fire and out the flue at the top. In this way only about one-half of the burnable elements in the wood are consumed the rest passes up the flue unburned in the form of gases and smoke. In the

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effects, if he will permit a test on Mrs. Higgins, who is now in jail for intoxication. The mayor has consented, providing the woman agrees to the plan.

### CONSCIENCE PUTS MAN IN JAIL.

Miner, After Theft Charge Is Dismissed, Admits He Is Guilty.

Telluride, Col., Nov. 20.—Maximilian Barzato, a miner, possesses a conscience and on that account will serve a year in the state reformatory. Barzato was on trial yesterday, charged with stealing rich ore from a mine. The jury was unable to agree. The judge thought so little of the evidence presented that he ordered the charge dismissed. Barzato left, but soon returned to the court room, confessed his crime and was sentenced.

### ELECTRIC LIGHT COSTS A LIFE

Man Is Killed by Current While Screwing Bulb Into Socket.

Richmond, Ind., Nov. 20.—While screwing an electric light bulb into its socket today Joseph Comer was killed instantly by the shock.

### Storm at Hoptown.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Nov. 20.—Eleven inches of rain fell in 36 hours, causing \$100,000 damage. Three store buildings collapsed, the foundations being washed away, and stocks were destroyed. Every basement and many floors of business houses are flooded. Wagons and skiffs were used all night to remove uncovered families on the river bank.